

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re'Application of:	
Kotaro ENDO) Group Art Unit: 2145
Application No.: 10/083,572) Examiner: Choudhury, A. Q.
Filed: February 27, 2002) Confirmation No.: 5894
For: DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM AND MULTIPLEXING CONTROL METHOD FOR THE SYSTEM)))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 14, 2006, with a period for response extending through August 14, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) and requisite fee payment, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.